

# WALES PRIMARY

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We hope our families had a good Christmas break and welcome the children back to school for the spring term. It has been a very different start to the new year compared to this time last year and we are delighted to announce some whole school projects we have planned for the remaining part of the school year...including our 150 years of Wales Primary celebrations. We have a variety of activities and events designed to mark this very special anniversary and we hope all of our families can join us in our celebrations making memories for everyone involved.

## Attendance award Congratulations to...

5th to 9th January — **FS2** 98.9%

12th to 16th January — **Y4** 98.9%



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### FEBRUARY

#### Wednesday 4th 5pm

Y1 and Y2 parents  
meeting re Phonic Screen  
Test

Y6 Parents meeting -  
supporting your child with  
KS2 SATs

#### W/C 9th Children's Mental Health Week

#### Wednesday 11th 5pm

Y4 parents meeting re  
Multiplication Tables  
check

#### Monday 16th to Friday 20th Half Term break

#### Monday 23rd INSET DAY



## BUILDING AN ARMY OF READERS



Please support your child to read at home. Children who read frequently find out about what they like and do not like to read, begin to understand which authors interest them and develop their vocabulary and language skills. It is proven that children who read and are exposed to a wide range of text have success in their later life.

Record their reading at least three times per week to be rewarded for their efforts and help to develop your

child as a confident reader.

5 weeks - Cadet

10 weeks - Lieutenant

15 weeks - Captain

20 weeks - Major

25 weeks - Colonel

30 weeks – General

*“The school is our children; our children make the school”*

As part of the Year 6 Windrush topic, in Design Technology the children designed and made their own Empire Windrush boats. Then they tested them in the school pool to see if they were water ready.



They were able to evaluate their model and think about how they would alter it if made again.





Romy from Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity came to see our children in an assembly last week with a special visitor.



### Let your creativity and community spirit shine

Schools and Community Groups are invited to take part in Pride of Yorkshire by signing up to adopt a lion cub sculpture.

Joining the lions on the trail will be the Pride of Yorkshire cubs. 150 of these adorable sculptures will be joining the Pride - funded for and painted by local schools and community groups.

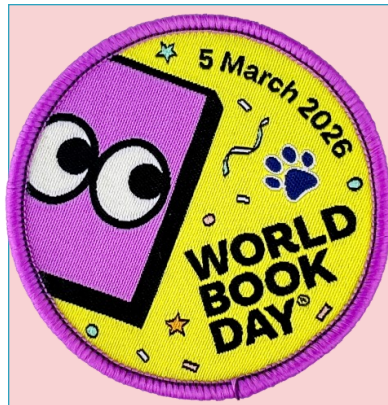
Our lion cub will be designed and decorated by our school children, and will find its forever home with us at the close of the trail.

We can't wait to decorate our lion cub in school and then find it on the Pride of Yorkshire cub trail this summer.

Please see the letter regarding raising funds for this amazing charity. Thank you to all those who have already contributed to the pot by sending in loose change for the each class collection.

**This week we have raised a staggering £222**

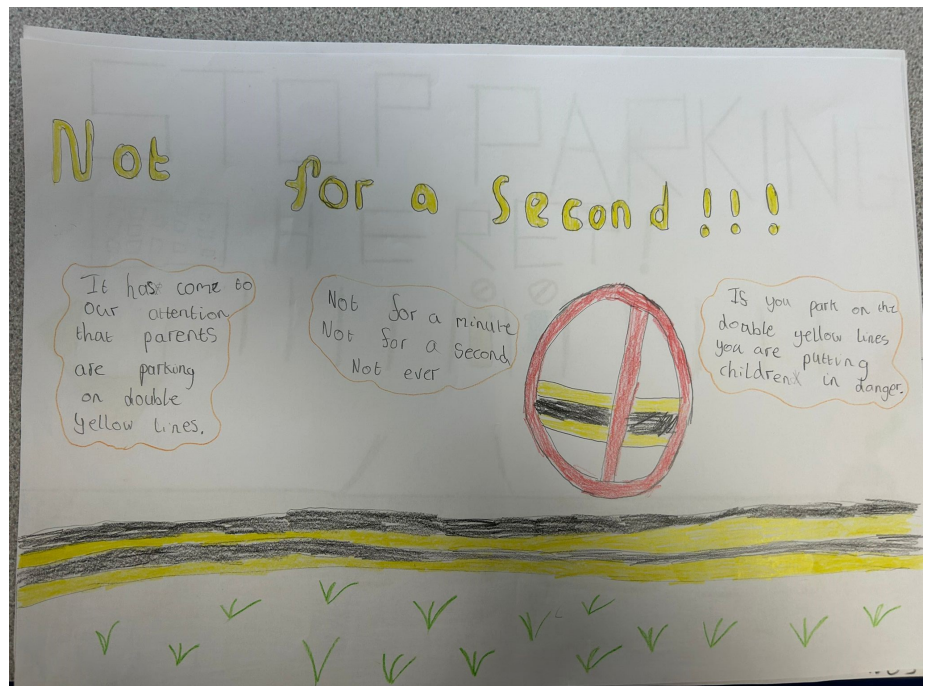




Look out for  
your child's  
Book Token in  
their school bag  
in the next few  
weeks.



Our Junior Road Safety Officers have written an email to Rotherham Council traffic enforcement due to problems we're having with cars parking outside our school gate on the double yellow lines at drop off and pick up times of the day. They also encouraged some of their peers to create posters to be displayed around school as a visual reminder. The council have already responded to their email and have promised that they will be increasing patrols in the next couple of weeks. Great work again Road Safety Officers!



SNOW  
MUCH  
FUN



*The children had fun in the snow last week. Please ensure your child comes to school in appropriate footwear and clothing for the diverse weather conditions we're having recently. Children can come to school in wellies if it is wet and/or snowy but will need to change into their school shoes to wear in the classroom.*

## POLITE REMINDERS

- ◆ For **emergency and urgent messages**, plus notification of medical appointments please contact the school office:  
**Tel:** 01909 770236      **email:** school@walesprimary.co.uk
- ◆ To contact your child's teacher regarding their learning and/or behaviour please use their email address. This can be found on your child's class web page:  
[www.walesprimary.co.uk](http://www.walesprimary.co.uk)
- ◆ Ensure your child(ren) have a **water** bottle everyday.
- ◆ Ensure your child's uniform is **name labelled**, including their coats.
- ◆ Children bring their **reading book and diary** to school every-day.
- ◆ Any **lost property** will be stored in the entrance to the school hall. It can be collected at the end of the school day with a parent/carer.
- ◆ **P.E kits** are to be worn on the day of your child's P.E lesson. No football kits or gymnastics outfits are allowed.
- ◆ Break time snacks must be **fruit or vegetables only**.
- ◆ If your child is entering school by themselves please be aware that the school **gates are locked until 8:30am**.





Do you have a child or young person with special educational need or disability who is up to the age of 25?

If so, the SEND Local Offer can provide you and your family with the right information, advice and support about services available which are available for your child or young person.

<https://www.rotherhamsendlocaloffer.org.uk/>

Rotherham Parent Carers Forum is a registered charity run by and for families of children and young people (aged 0-25) who have Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND).

They offer advice and support to parents and also run a range of events throughout the year for young people with SEND and their siblings.

You can find more information at <https://www.rpcf.co.uk/>

Or follow their Facebook page for upcoming events

